

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Yoshihiko SHIBAHARA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/731,973

Confirmation No.: 1742

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Docket No: Q61250

Group Art Unit: 2626

Examiner: Jerome Grant II

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECOGNIZING REGIONS CORRESPONDING  
TO IMAGE STORAGE SHEETS

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Commissioner for Patents

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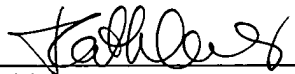
Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the  
Notice of Allowability dated October 12, 2005, Applicant submits the following comments.

**COMMENTS**

Applicant submits that the scope of the claims should be governed by the actual claim  
language and not by the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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